

STRIKE SETTLEMENT DISTANT

MINERS WILL SEEK TO DISSOLVE RESTRAINING ORDER

KNOX BLOCKS PEACE TREATY

DISPUTE BETWEEN MEN AND OPERATORS STILL DEADLOCKED

SIX PASSENGER TRAINS REMOVED FROM SERVICE IN MIDDLE WEST—TWO MORE STATES PLEAD FOR RELIEF FROM SHORTAGE.

Chicago, Nov. 6.—(By the Associated Press)—The dispute between bituminous coal operators and union miners which resulted in virtual cessation of production throughout the country last Friday night continued deadlocked today with leaders of both producers and miners agreed that the refusal of the department of justice to withdraw the injunction proceedings against officers of the United Mine Workers of America had swept away hope of immediate settlement of the strike.

At the approximately 425,000 miners remained idle for the sixth day, further steps had been taken to reduce the menace of a threatened coal shortage, already imminent in some sections.

Six passenger trains had been removed from service in the middle west, and Federal Fuel Administrator Garfield had been clothed with full authority over prices, distribution and shipment of fuel.

To the plea of Nebraska, Iowa and California added requests for relieving the threatened shortage. The mayor of Topeka, Kan., telegraphed B. J. Rowe, middle west coal director at Chicago, that that city was without a ton of coal in its market and "hundreds of families are in immediate need."

From West Virginia and Colorado, came the only reports of increased production since the walkout became effective. Thirty-one union mines were said to be in operation in West Virginia and the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. reported 64 per cent. of its normal force at work.

Operation at the full capacity at Madrid, N. M., continued with three at Gallup at reduced capacity.

Transfer of another squadron of cavalry and two companies of infantry from El Paso, Texas, to Colfax county, N. M., was the only movement of troops in connection with the strike during the last 24 hours.

Charles W. Va., Nov. 6.—Disposition of federal troops in the West Virginia coal fields was completed today and the military authorities were in position to cope with any situation which might arise, said Adjutant General Thomas Davis, who has been co-operating with Col. W. F. Harrell, commanding the soldiers.

Three hundred men, including a strong machine gun detachment, is located here for the protection of the capital and for duty in the nearby fields should disturbance ensue.

Conflicting statements came from union leaders and representatives of the operators concerning the actual mining situation. C. E. Keeney, for the miners, said there had been no change in the situation whatever, while the operators said that production was steadily increasing and if the railroad administration could keep the car supply to 100 per cent. demand all records for output in the non-union fields would be shattered before end of the week.

GETS \$100 FINE FOR OBSTRUCTING FIRE APPARATUS

For obstructing the apparatus of Engine Co. No. 3, while on the way to a fire, Elgin Vinich, of this city, was fined \$100 by Judge Walsh in the Criminal Court of Common Pleas this morning. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge of violation of the motor vehicle laws.

It was alleged that on September 25 last Vinich was riding a motorcycle on State street when an alarm of fire was sounded. The accused failed to heed the warning of the siren on the fire apparatus and so obstructed the vehicles that they were delayed in reaching the fire.

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TO ARGUE CASE OF CITY AGAINST SCOTT TOMORROW

Friendly Suit to Decide Who Shall Pay \$50,000 Damages in Supreme Court of Errors

Whether the city of Bridgeport or the T. A. Scott Co. must pay for damages to the Senate park sea wall caused by the waves during the great storm of October 24, 1917, is the question to be argued before the Supreme Court of Errors in this city tomorrow. The city sued the Scott Co. for \$50,000 damages after the contractors had refused to repair the damage and the Supreme court will pass upon questions of law in this case. The suit has never been tried on its merits in the Superior court, as both sides agreed to take it to the Supreme court.

The contract was made in 1916 and provided that the Scott Co., which is located in New London, would erect 3,925 feet of wall. When the job was almost finished the storm came and the high waves destroyed 1,700 feet of the wall. It is estimated that the cost of repairs would be \$46,000. City Attorney Conley claimed that, according to the contract, the contractors were to repair all losses caused by rain, wind or fire. The Scott company denied responsibility and suit was brought upon the bond, which was furnished by the New Amsterdam Co. of Lee, N. Y., the latter company having been joined with the Scott company as defendant.

TWO SUITS FOR DAMAGES ARE BEFORE COURT

As a result of a collision between two automobiles at North and Park avenues on October 7, 1918, two suits for total damages of \$3,000 were tried this morning before Judge Booth and a jury in the Common Pleas court. Secretary George Milligan of Lee Bros. Furniture Co. and Henry T. Douglas were sued by Christopher Donahue and his wife. It is admitted that Milligan was not in his car at the time it collided with the Donahue's machine but the complaint states that Douglas was driving the Milligan auto. Reckless driving by Douglas is alleged. Donahue testified that his car was totally destroyed and he asks for \$2,000 damages. His wife wants \$1,000 for physical injuries.

The trial was resumed this afternoon.

Calais, Me., Nov. 6.—Telegraph and telephone service in eastern Maine and New Brunswick was interrupted today by a severe storm which began yesterday. In many places wires were dragged down by the weight of the damp snow which clung to them.

LIQUOR SHIPPED UNDER LABEL OF MUSIC

Chicago, Nov. 6.—(By the Associated Press)—A federal warrant for the arrest of Lieut. Colonel Francis T. A. Jenkins, member of the contract adjustment board at Washington, on a charge of having falsely labeled a shipment of liquor, has been held up pending an investigation at Washington. District Attorney Charles F. Clynne announced today. Internal revenue agents found the liquor in two boxes marked "music records, handle with care" which were being shipped with other belongings.

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Columbus, O., Nov. 6.—(By The Associated Press)—Late returns today from Tuesday's prohibition election in Ohio seemed to shatter the election night prediction of Secretary of State Smith that the dries had carried the four prohibition proposals voted upon by majorities ranging as high as 75-25.

Unofficial returns from 59 counties, including all of the wet counties and big cities, showed wet majorities on all four proposals, and unusually large wet majorities against the Crabbe prohibition enforcement act and ratification of national prohibition.

Basing his assertion on late official returns from 39 counties, Secretary Smith said first dry victory estimates had been much too high. The state dry headquarters this morning admitted the probable defeat of the Crabbe bill, said the vote was very close on ratification, but insisted that the repeal of state-wide prohibition and 2.75 per cent. beer amendments had been defeated by large votes. L. H. Gibson, wet campaign manager, declared the Crabbe act overwhelmingly defeated and ratification decisively so.

Fairly complete unofficial returns from 59 of the 88 counties gave the wets a lead of 14,000 on the repeal amendment, of 27,000 on the beer proposal, of 48,000 on ratification and of 78,000 on the Crabbe bill. The missing 29 counties last year gave dries a majority of 32,000, enough to wipe out leads on the repeal and beer amendments. In order to overcome the wet lead of 48,000 or ratification, however, election experts point out that the dries would have to gain 16,000 in the missing counties over last year. To overcome the wet lead of 78,000 on the Crabbe act was regarded by the experts as impossible.

AUTHORITIES TO START INQUIRY ON MILK PRICE

Claim Last Increase Made Necessary By Wage Raise.

New York, Nov. 6.—(By The Associated Press)—Federal, state and municipal authorities today began investigation of the action of several large milk distributing companies in increasing the price of milk in New York city, according to Health Commissioner Copeland, the increase made effective yesterday, will increase the city's milk bill by \$1,000,000 for the month of November alone. An addition of one and one-half cents a quart was made to the price of grade B bottled milk and corresponding increases were made on other grades.

Officials of the milk companies maintain the increases were made necessary by wage increases granted to their drivers early this week in order to avert a strike. Loton H. Horton, president of the Sheffield Farms Co., one of the biggest distributors, has been "requested" to appear before the state investigators on Friday.

WILL FILE A MOTION ON ORDER

Attorneys for Mine Workers Seek to Dissolve Restraining Order

OFFICIALS ARE IN CONFERENCE

Indianapolis, Nov. 6.—Attorneys for the United Mine Workers of America sometime today will file a motion in the federal court for dissolution of the restraining order to prevent officials of the union from issuing instructions to the striking members.

The officials were in conference this morning with their attorneys and, it is understood, have completed the writing of the motion.

Such motions, in accordance with a court rule, must be filed two days in advance of the arguments. The hearing of the government's petition for a temporary restraining order has been set for Saturday and today is the last day for filing motions in the case.

BOYS CONFESS TO SETTING 6 SMALL FIRES IN HOUSE

Could Give No Good Reason For Their Craze For Fires

As the result of a quiet investigation the police last night caught two small boys who have confessed responsibility for six mysterious fires which have occurred in a double house at 36 William street within the past two months. The youngsters gave no reason for their "fire bug" craze other than that they wanted their mother to move away from the house.

The residence where the fires occurred is owned by Andrew Mackel, and is occupied by George Mosher and a family by the name of Greenwood. For a long time the owner and tenants were puzzled by the numerous fires which have broken out in the building, but suspicion finally reverted to the children. The youngsters at first denied that they had started any of the blazes, but after being questioned by the police admitted that they were the guilty parties.

The first fire of the series was discovered in a kitchen on September 5. Two more, one a mattress blaze, broke out on October 26. Yesterday morning firemen extinguished a lively blaze under the attic floor, and yesterday afternoon the department was again called out to quench a small blaze in the same house. None of the fires caused any considerable damage, and it is unlikely that the firemen will be called to 36 William street again for some time.

LONGSHOREMEN'S STRIKE APPEARS TO BE BROKEN

New York, Nov. 6.—(By The Associated Press)—The strike of 40,000 longshoremen, which has tied up port activities here for several weeks, appeared to have been broken today. The deciding factor was the surrender of the "insurgent strikers" who promised Mayor Hylan yesterday they would return today at the old rate of pay, pending a decision from the national adjustment commission for a re-hearing.

The insurgents, who at one time claimed more than 20,000 members of the longshoremen's union, broke with the international officers during the strike. The international officials steadfastly refused to authorize the strike and endeavored to induce the men to return.

MEXICO WILL NOT BE ASKED FOR RANSOM

Washington, Nov. 6.—(By the Associated Press)—Mexico will not be asked by the American government to refund the \$150,000 ransom money, which counsel for William O. Jenkins, American consul general at Puebla, paid for the release of Mr. Jenkins. This announcement was made today at the state department. Officials said there was no warrant in international law for such a claim and that they could not conceive of the American government paying a ransom.

No Official Notification By Crosby Say Dealers

LOCAL LIQUOR MEN CLAIM THEY HAVE BEEN FORCED TO LOOK TO NEWSPAPERS FOR INSTRUCTIONS

Protests were being heard here on all sides this morning from Bridgeport liquor dealers who claim that United States Attorney John F. Crosby has not officially notified them as to the progress of the prohibition bill and especially the enforcement laws.

Liquor men say that they are now obliged to take their orders from the newspapers as they have never received a single communication from the attorney's office at Hartford.

It is their claim that the newspapers are printing so much about prohibition and the reports are so conflicting that they do not know where they stand. One minute they are closed by law, and the next they find their neighbor opening his place and they follow suit on some newspaper authority.

Such a course has gone on for four months they say, and nothing definite has been told them. One man said this morning that he was going to keep open until he received the official word from an authority to close his place.

ALL EMPLOYES IN DRUG STORES ARE ON STRIKE

New York, Nov. 6.—(By The Associated Press)—Union drugstore employees from registered pharmacists to soda clerks and porters, struck in greater New York today to enforce demands for higher wages and shorter hours. The strikers are enrolled in the United Drug Clerks local, which claims a membership of 4,000. No figures were made public early today as to the number who obeyed the strike call.

Dr. Royal S. Copeland, health commissioner, said nearly all the pharmacists owning drugstores had assured him they would give their full attention to filling prescriptions and he expressed confidence that public health would not be endangered by the strike.

There are 3,500 drugstores in the city employing 7,000 persons.

TAKE BODY OF NOTED POETESS FOR CREMATION

New Haven, Nov. 6.—The body of Mrs. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, author and poetess, who died a week ago at her home in Branford, was taken to Springfield, Mass., by automobile today. The funeral service will be in Springfield. After cremation the ashes will be placed in a niche in the ledge close by the late home of Mrs. Wilcox.

STATE POLICE CALLED

Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 6.—(By the Associated Press)—The state police were called upon today to suppress disturbances near the Lackawanna Steel Co.'s plant at Lackawanna today. Crowds surrounded cars carrying men to work and several fights occurred. No one was seriously hurt.

WILSON WILL GIVE TREATY VIEWS TO SEN. HITCHCOCK

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IF BAN LIFTS SALOONS CAN OPEN AT ONCE

This Applies to Dealers Who Have Applications On File

Hartford, Nov. 6.—Many of those who have applications pending have shown an interest on account of the feeling that the war-time prohibition ban will be soon lifted, and in view of this they called on the commissioners and have asked in reference to the licenses. There is no cause, however, for any of the applicants to worry, because, should the war-time prohibition ban suddenly be lifted, the commissioners are of the opinion that all dealers who have applications on file, would have the legal right to open their places and immediately begin the sale of liquor, even though the physical licenses for which they have applications pending were not delivered to them.

In discussing the situation yesterday the commissioners said that their belief was that a man who has an application on file would be justified and he would have a legal right to open and engage in the sale of liquor in case of a sudden lifting, or removal of the war-time prohibition feature, as they have acted in good faith by the filing of their applications and bonds. If, for instance, in ordinary times, anything happened on a day preceding the day on which the commissioners had planned to issue licenses, by which the licenses were destroyed, it would be unreasonable to hold, they say, that a man who had filed his application and bond in good faith could not continue business, but would have to close until the commissioners had a new batch of license forms printed. Also in the case of remonstrances, if an appeal is taken from the decision of the commissioners as to an established dealer, be the appeal from the decision taken by the applicant, or by the remonstrants, the applicant has the right by the law, to sell under his old license, even though the term for which it was issued has expired, until the appeal is decided by the superior court.

POLICE ASKED TO LOOK FOR GLENN ACKLEY IS REPORT

Bridgeport police have been asked to search for Glenn Ackley, 13, of 1134 Hancock avenue, who left home Monday morning and has not been seen or heard from since. The boy is said to have been in the company of the Maplewood school, but did not arrive there or return to his parents' home. When he disappeared young Ackley wore a gray suit with knee pants, a gray sweater, blue cap and black shoes and stockings. The lad's parents are nearly distracted over his prolonged absence, and the police of neighboring cities have been asked to join in the search for the missing boy.

STEEL WORKER'S HOUSE DAMAGED BY EXPLOSION

Pittsburgh, Nov. 6.—The house occupied by Mike Schokoff, who is employed by the American Steel and Wire Company at Donora, Pa., was damaged by the explosion of a bomb placed in the doorway early today. No one of the occupants was injured. Schokoff continued to work after the steel strike was called. Four arrests were made.

Washington, Nov. 6.—(By the Associated Press)—President Wilson's views on reservations to the treaty of Versailles will be given to Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, the administration leader at the White House, within the next day or two. Secretary Tamm said today he was arranging with Rear Admiral Grayson the President's physician, for Mr. Hitchcock's visit.

The Nebraska senator plans to lay the entire treaty situation before the President and give him his opinions as to what reservations are likely to receive the support of a majority in the Senate.

The President in turn will say what reservations will be acceptable to him. Mr. Wilson has repeatedly said that no change in the treaty which would require its renegotiation would be acceptable.

When the treaty was taken up in the Senate today Senator Knox, Republican, Pennsylvania, introduced a blanket reservation to release the United States from any obligation to be bound by decisions or recommendations of the League of Nations. Senator Knox said the purpose was to make this country a "consulting member" of the league.

The reservation would give the United States "the fullest and most complete liberty of action"; in regard to league affairs, with "the sole right to determine its own relations and duties and course of action."

It also would claim an unconditional right of withdrawal, and would make ratification of the treaty dependent on affirmative acceptance of the reservation by the other powers within 30 days.

Denying reports that he would support the Gore amendment for referendum before any declaration of war, Senator Myers, Democrat, Montana, told the senate when he said he would vote for "the pending amendment," yesterday, he referred to the La Follette labor amendment, although that measure was not formally under consideration at the time.

Senator La Follette, Republican Wisconsin, resumed the attack begun yesterday on President Wilson's course in negotiating the treaty.

CLAIMS FIRM WOULD NOT PAY HIM FOR APPLES

Denial that the Ben Davis apples were of satisfactory quality was made by Samuel Goldberg in the Superior court this morning when trial of the \$2,000 suit brought by Henry Dreskey & Sons, local produce merchants, against Goldberg, was resumed before Judge Webb. The Dreskeys Co. claims Goldberg and his partner ordered the apples and then refused to pay for them. The defendants say they ordered a certain type of Ben Davis apples and did not receive them.

G. J. CAPEWELL DEAD

Hartford, Nov. 6.—George J. Capewell, founder of the Capewell Hardware company, died today at the Hartford Hospital where he underwent an operation Tuesday. He had been in failing health for some time.

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